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11-36a-603 Refunds.

- (1) A local political subdivision shall refund any impact fee paid by a developer, plus interest earned, when:
 - (a) the developer does not proceed with the development activity and has filed a written request for a refund:
 - (b) the fee has not been spent or encumbered; and
 - (c) no impact has resulted.

(2)

- (a) As used in this Subsection (2):
 - (i) "Affected lot" means the lot or parcel with respect to which a local political subdivision collected an impact fee that is subject to a refund under this Subsection (2).
 - (ii) "Claimant" means:
 - (A) the original owner;
 - (B) the person who paid an impact fee; or
 - (C) another person who, under Subsection (2)(d), submits a timely notice of the person's valid legal claim to an impact fee refund.
 - (iii) "Original owner" means the record owner of an affected lot at the time the local political subdivision collected the impact fee.
 - (iv) "Unclaimed refund" means an impact fee that:
 - (A) is subject to refund under this Subsection (2); and
 - (B) the local political subdivision has not refunded after application of Subsections (2)(b) and (c).
- (b) If an impact fee is not spent or encumbered in accordance with Section 11-36a-602, the local political subdivision shall, subject to Subsection (2)(c):
 - (i) refund the impact fee to:
 - (A) the original owner, if the original owner is the sole claimant; or
 - (B) to the claimants, as the claimants agree, if there are multiple claimants; or
 - (ii) interplead the impact fee refund to a court of competent jurisdiction for a determination of the entitlement to the refund, if there are multiple claimants who fail to agree on how the refund should be paid to the claimants.
- (c) If the original owner's last known address is no longer valid at the time a local political subdivision attempts under Subsection (2)(b) to refund an impact fee to the original owner, the local political subdivision shall:
 - (i) post a notice on the local political subdivision's website, stating the local political subdivision's intent to refund the impact fee and identifying the original owner;
 - (ii) maintain the notice on the website for a period of one year; and
 - (iii) disqualify the original owner as a claimant unless the original owner submits a written request for the refund within one year after the first posting of the notice under Subsection (2)(c)(i).

(d)

- (i) In order to be considered as a claimant for an impact fee refund under this Subsection (2), a person, other than the original owner, shall submit a written notice of the person's valid legal claim to the impact fee refund.
- (ii) A notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) shall:
 - (A) explain the person's valid legal claim to the refund; and

- (B) be submitted to the local political subdivision no later than 30 days after expiration of the time specified in Subsection 11-36a-602(2) for the impact fee that is the subject of the refund.
- (e) A local political subdivision:
 - (i) may retain an unclaimed refund; and
 - (ii) shall expend any unclaimed refund on capital facilities identified in the current capital facilities plan for the type of public facility for which the impact fee was collected.

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